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Title : Air Shutter and Installation Method Thereof

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is a Reply to the Office Action mailed December 15, 2004 in the above-identified patent application for which a shortened statutory period of one month was set for reply. This Reply is believed timely on Tuesday, January 18, 2005, since January 15, 2005 was a Saturday, and Monday, January 17, 2005 was a Federal Holiday on which the Patent and Trademark Office was not open.

Responsive to the Office Action, kindly amend the a application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.